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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7811

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TAGS: OVIP SELDEN

SUBJECT: PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS IN SAMOA

REF A STATE 047665 B. WELLINGTON 0842

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM APIA THAT BOTH
HEAD OF STATE AND PRIME MINISTER CAN RECEIVE AMBASSADOR
SELDEN MAY 15 AND 16. THEREFORE PROPOSE FOLLOWING
SCHEDULE:

SELDEN SAMOA FIRST CLASS UNDERLINE

LV WELLINGTON WEDNESDAY MAY 15 1655 NAC 436

AR. AUCKLAND 1755

LV AUCKLAND 1930 PA 806

AR PAGO PAGO 0010

LV PAGO PAGO 1715 PH 261

AR APIA 1750

LV APIA SUNDAY MAY 19 1330 PH 250

AR PAGO PAGO 1405

LV PAGO PAGO MON OR TUE MAY 20 OR 21 0515 PA 807

AR AUCKLAND MON OR WED MAY 21 OR 22 0815 OR 1025

LV AUCKLAND VIA CAR

AR ROTORUA

LV ROTORUA WED OR THUR MAY 22 OR 23

AR WELLINGTON

2. NOTES.

A. PHIL VANDIVIER WILL PRECEDE AMBASSADOR TO

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ATTEND TO PREPARATORY DETAILS AND WOULD MEET AND

ACCOMPANY UPON ARRIVAL IN PAGO PAGO.

B. PORTIONS OF MAY 15 AND MAY 19 COULD BE USED FOR PAGO PAGO CALLS SHOULD AMB CHOOSE TO FLY TO AUCKLAND ON MAY 20 PANAM FLIGHT RATHER THAN MAY 21 (REFTEL B).

C. AMBAASSADOR WOULD PRESENT CREDENTIALS THURSDAY MAY 16 AND MAKE PROTOCOL CALLS, VISIT PCVS AND HOST RECEPTION DURING PERIOD BETWEEN 16TH THROUGH 18TH.

D. IT SEEMS TO EMBASSY THAT IF SELDEN'S SONS ARE UNDER AGE OF 21 INITIAL TRAVEL TO NEW ZELAND IS CHAREABLE TO AMB'S TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION. RETURN TRAVEL FROM WELLINGTON WOULD BE EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL PAID FROM POST ALLOTMENT. THUS, WHEN SONS JOIN FATHER AT PAGO PAGO THEY WOULD QUALIFY FOR FIRST CLASS TRAVEL AND TICKETS AND RESERVATIONS SHOULD REFLECT THIS FACT IF TRUE. IF SONS ARE OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE THEN ENTIRE TRIP WOULD BE EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL AND THEY COULD TRAVEL TOURIST CLASS (SEE STANDARDIZED REGULATIONS, EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL SECTION 284). IF THIS TRAVEL WILL BE CHAREABLE TO POST FUNDS EA/EX SHOULD KNOW THAT POST PROGRAM ALLOTMENT MUST BE INCREASED ACCORDINGLY. IF SONS MUST TRAVEL TOURIST CLASS WOULD AMB WISH ALSO TO TRAVEL TOURIST IN ORDER TO BE IN SAME COMPARTMENT OF AIRCRAFT OR PAY THE DIFFERENCE TO UP-GRADE SONS' TICKETS TO FIRST CLASS?

3 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO CONFIRM THIS SCHEDULE TO APIA AND PAGO PAGO.
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